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REPORT FOR APRIL.

REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

During the month of April there were received at the Library, by purchase, 1,116 volumes and 456 pamphlets; by gift, 1,020 volumes and 3,203 pamphlets; and by exchange, 416 volumes and 6,066 pamphlets, making a total of 2,552 volumes and 9,725 pamphlets.

There were catalogued 3,154 volumes and 2,776 pamphlets; the number of cards written was 12,376 and of slips for the copying machine 2,736; from the latter were received 13,851 cards.

The following table shows the number of readers, and the number of volumes consulted, in both the Astor and Lenox Branches of the Library, also the number of visitors to the Print Exhibition at the Lenox during the month:

	LENOX.	ASTOR.			TOTAL.
		Day.	Evening.	Total.	
No. of readers and visitors.....	5,365	12,186	1,899	14,085	19,450
No. of readers.	2,068	12,186	1,899	14,085	16,153
No. of readers, desk applicants.....	1,245	12,432	1,838	14,270	15,515
No. of volumes consulted by desk applicants.....	6,778	60,889	3,386	64,275	71,053
Daily average of readers.....	82	487	76	563	645
No. of visitors to Print Exhibition, etc.	3,021				

CIRCULATION DEPARTMENT.

The most popular books of the month were (in non-fiction): "The Long Day," Shaw's "Plays Pleasant and Unpleasant," Beveridge's "Young Man and the World"; (adult fiction): Glasgow's "Wheel of Life" Hichens' "Garden of Allah," Wharton's "House of Mirth"; (juvenile fiction): Clemens' "Adventures of Tom Sawyer," Lang's "Blue Fairy Book," Burnett's "Little Princess."

CIRCULATION STATISTICS FOR APRIL.

BRANCHES.	CIRCULATION.		NEW REGISTRA- TIONS.	READERS IN READING ROOM.		VOLUMES ACCE- SIONED.
	HOME USE. (VOLUMES.)	HALL USE. (READERS.)		ADULTS.	TOTAL.	
MANHATTAN.						
East Broadway, 33.....	13,961	761	196	2,104	2,384	102
East Broadway, 197.....	21,936	2,442	447			265
Rivington Street, 61.....	16,784	7,301	332	6,988	9,286	376
Le Roy Street, 66.....	11,135	4,969	376	1,239	5,789	269
Bond Street, 49.....	9,231	866	148	2,315	4,061	143
8th Street. 135 Second Ave.....	15,895	1,799	230	2,675	4,012	227
10th Street, 331 East.....	16,882	4,053	285	2,585	3,030	407
13th Street, 251 West.....	9,281	2,545	164	1,298	1,350	115
22d Street, 230 East.....	2,102	5	26			60
23d Street, 209 West.....	10,528	3,463	204			306
34th Street, 215 East.....	6,575	2,196	89			54
40th Street, 501 West.....	3,941		40			74
42d Street, 226 West.....	11,084	930	165			152
50th Street, 123 East.....	5,133	535	185	231	535	47
51st Street, 463 West.....	5,233	252	98	165	334	45
59th Street, 113 East.....	10,359	793	178	2,886	2,886	187
67th Street, 328 East.....	9,638	698	152	656	2,281	319
69th Street. 190 Amsterdam Ave....	11,182	654	142	3,240	4,725	212
Travelling Libraries.....	45,946					617
76th Street, 538 East.....	6,155	701	91	52	184	905
79th Street, 222 East.....	19,134	2,493	230	2,819	5,766	219
81st Street. 444 Amsterdam Ave....	12,018	4,102	412	2,928	4,102	186
Blind Library	748		5			29
86th Street. 536 Amsterdam Ave....	8,316	425	104	1,034	1,428	187
96th Street, 112 East.....	21,040	1,598	381	1,502	2,188	204
100th Street, 206 West.....	14,246	1,863	192	1,095	1,722	202
110th Street, 174 East.....	18,206	1,675	352	584	1,245	344
123d Street, 32 West.....	9,814	644	207	1,708	2,013	137
125th Street, 224 East.....	9,208	1,411	140	824	995	153
135th Street, 103 West.....	17,860	728	305	795	2,256	378
156th Street. 922 St. Nicholas Ave...	8,174	1,975	127			282
BRONX.						
140th Street and Alexander Ave.....	19,126	825	337	880	2,659	165
176th Street and Washington Ave...	15,433	269	254	817	1,590	105
Kingsbridge Ave., 2933.....	2,081	2,276	35			263
RICHMOND.						
Tottenville.....	2,343	630	20			35
Port Richmond.....	6,451	510	90	143	382	147
TOTALS.....	427,179	56,387	6,739	41,563	67,203	7,918

Important gifts of the month were: From Sam. P. Avery, a copy of "Intermezzi componirt, radirt und Herrn Kupferstecher und Kunsthandler Hermann Sagert, dankbarst zugeeignet von Max Klinger," Nürnberg; from Hon. John Bigelow, copies for each reference and circulation branch of his brochure "Our Ex-Presidents, what shall we do for them? what shall they do for us?", New York, 1906; from the British Museum, the "Catalogue of the collection of English porcelain in the Department of British and Mediæval Antiquities," by R. L. Hobson, London, 1905, "Catalogue of Hebrew and Samaritan manuscripts in the British Museum," by G. Margoliouth, Pt. 2, London, 1905, "Medallic illustrations of the history of Great Britain, and Ireland," in 4 portfolios, plates 1-40, London, 1904-05; from James C. Britton, 42 volumes and 287 pamphlets, a collection of publications relating to trades unions, etc.; from Miss M. W. Bruce, 18 volumes and 5 pamphlets, Italian books relating to Italy; from Dr. Paul Cohn, a copy of his "Die chemische Industrie. . . Weltausstellung St. Louis, 1904," Wien, 1905, and "Das Bildungswesen in den Vereinigten Staaten von Nordamerika," Wien, 1906; from Loys Delteil, a copy of his "Le peintre-graveur illustré XIX et XX siècles," Vol. 1, Paris, 1906; from Mrs. Henry Draper, 50 volumes, 18 pamphlets, and 1 print; from the Executive Committee on the Celebration of the 250th Anniversary of the Settlement of the Jews in the United States, 2 copies of the bronze medal struck off to commemorate the anniversary, executed by Isidore Konti; from Dr. Carlo Gardini, the "Catalogo della Biblioteca del Liceo Musicale di Bologna," Bologna, 1890-1905; from Major Harry Hammond, his "Notes on wine and vine culture," 1856; from Lord Howard de Walden, "Two Tudor Books of Arms, being Harleian manuscripts No. 2169 (and No. 6163)," "Some Feudal Lords and their Seals, 1301," with an introduction by Lord Howard de Walden, 1904, and "Banners, Standards and Badges from a Tudor manuscript," London 1904; from Augustus Koopman, 14 of his dry points, executed at Atlantic City in 1894, in Volendam, Holland, and in his studio in Paris, 1897 to 1899; from Dr. Attilio Nardecchia, a copy of "Nuovo Atlante di geografia universale in 52 carte" per Luigi Rossi, Milano, 1820, and of "Atlas universel" par M. Robert et M. Robert de Vaugondy, Paris, 1757; from Paul Raatz, 3 volumes and 31 pamphlets, German theosophical works; from Dr. Louis Seeman Livingston, a copy of his "The Real triumph of Japan the conquest of the silent foe," New York, 1906; from James D. Smillie, 26 of his etchings; from the Biblioteca Nacional of Spain, Madrid, "Catalogo de la exposicion celebrado en la Biblioteca Nacional en el Tercer Centenario de la publicacion del Quijote," Madrid, 1905; from the Trustees of the late Dr. James Young, of Kelly and Durris, Scotland, a copy of "Bibliotheca Chemica: a catalogue of the alchemical, chemical and pharmaceutical books in the collection of the late James Young," in 2 volumes, by John Ferguson, Glasgow, 1906; from Paul E. Werner, a copy of "Deutschlands Heer und Flotte," by Gustav A. Sigel, Akron, Ohio, 1900; and for the German-American collection various gifts from Hugo Bertsch, Nicholas Gonner, Jr., Friedrich Michel, Prof. A. O. Müller, Rev. J. W. Theiss and Frank Siller.

At the LENOX branch the Franklin exhibition has been succeeded by an exhibit of American etchings, a selection designed to afford a view of the state of

original or painter-etching in this country during the past thirty-five years. In the lower hall the albums of the Charles Stewart Smith collection of Japanese prints have again been fully opened out, and on April 12th some lithographs by Eugène Carrière (recently deceased) and reproductions of his works have been placed on view. The large Muybridge photograph of San Francisco was placed on view on April 21st.

The exhibitions at the ASTOR and at the circulation branches remained unchanged.

Picture bulletins and temporary collections of books on special shelves at the circulation branches were as follows:

EAST BROADWAY, Birthdays of celebrated men and women, Edward Everett Hale; RIVINGTON STREET, Paul Revere's ride, Olympic games; BOND STREET, France from Paris to the Pyrenees, Abraham Lincoln, Flowers; OTTENDORFER, Trip through Italy, California, Spain, An evening in birdland; TOMPKINS SQUARE, Battle of Lexington, Earthquakes and volcanoes; EPIPHANY, Our neighbors; MUHLENBERG, California and San Francisco, Rome, Explorers and explorations, Decoration and ornament; GEORGE BRUCE, Labor; RIVERSIDE, Trees and flowers, Country homes; WEBSTER, Clever dramatized novels; ST. AGNES, Insects, School and college stories; AMSTERDAM AVENUE, Shakespeare; 96TH STREET, Birds and nature, Principal historical events in April; AGUILAR, College stories, May Day, Paris, Italy, Holland, Jeanne d'Arc; HARLEM LIBRARY, Railroad; 125TH STREET, Australia, Bronx Park, Concord and Lexington, Japan, Mendelssohn; 135TH STREET, Games and sports, Holland and its little people; MOTT HAVEN, Spring; TREMONT, Cuba, Porto Rico, Panama, Philippines; TOTENVILLE, Earthquakes, Birds of Staten Island.

In addition there were bulletins on Easter at eleven branches, on new books at seven, on Arbor Day at seven, on Spring at five, on birds at five, on Vesuvius at four, and on birthdays in April of famous men and women at two branches.

In the April series of evening free lectures given by the Board of Education the TOMPKINS SQUARE Branch assembly room was used for a course on Shakespeare, the lecturers being Richard A. Purdy on "Julius Cæsar," Miss Grace A. Burt on "Hamlet," Joseph Adelman on "Henry VIII," Mrs. Frances Carter on "Much Ado about Nothing." At the 135TH STREET branch lectures were given on Tuesdays by Professor Louis Auguste Loiseau on France and Spain. At TREMONT branch a course on descriptive geography was given on Saturdays by Dr. William A. Murrill on "Cuba," Orrel A. Parker on "Porto Rico," Willis Fletcher Johnson on "Panama and the Panama Canal," Major Frank Keck on "The Philippines."

Daniel Huntington, one of the nine trustees named in the act of incorporation of the Lenox Library in 1870, and a trustee of the New York Public Library from the time of consolidation (1895) until his resignation on December 11, 1901, died at his home in this city on Wednesday, the 18th April.

REPORT OF THE BRITISH BOARD OF TRADE AND PLANTATIONS,
NOVEMBER, 1702.

Printed from a transcript, now in the New York Public Library, probably made for the Earl of Bute about the middle of the eighteenth century.

TO THE RIGHT HONBLE.
THE LORDS SPIRITUAL AND
TEMPORAL IN PARLIAMENT
ASSEMBLED.

May it please Your Lordships.

In obedience to your Lordships order of the seventh Instant Requiring us to lay before your Lordships an account of the State of the Trade of this Kingdome since the Last session of parliament, We humbly Represent

That the War against France and Spain being proclaimed alittle before the End of the Last Session, it Soon made a great alteration in the State and Currant of Trade and put a Stop to that which was carried on with those Countries and the mediterranean. And as we had sometime before, in prospect of Such a Breach directed the several Governors of Her Majesties plantations to send to us a speedy account of the State of defence of each Government, and of what might be wanting to put them in a better posture against an Enemy and haveing accordingly received such accounts, We did according to our duty Lay the Same before Her Majestie, with our humble opinion in relation to ships of War, Soldiers, Guns, and ammunitiion to be sent from hence, and to the Fortifications there, whereupon Her Majestie has been pleased to give the necessary Directions, and several Stores of War have been sent to the plantations and other suteable provisions made, which has ended very much to the Security and Incouragement of the Trade in those parts.

That Coll Codrington Governor in Cheif of the Leeward Islands, upon notification off [*sic*] of the War, and Instructions from hence, Haveing possessed himself of the French part of the Island of St. Christophers, So that the whole Island is now brought under Her Majesties Subjection, there does by that means accrue a very great advantage to our Sugar Trade.

That upon Representations made of the great importance of the Tobacco Trade from Virginia and Maryland, Her Majestie was pleased to appoint five men of War, under whose Convoy the Shipping from those provinces consisting of about 150 Sail, have arrived Safe in England. An[d], as we find by accounts from Virginia, there were exported from that Province from the 10th of November 1701. to the 10th of July 1702, 37205 hhds. of Tobacco, being the last Crop: And from Maryland for the same tyme 32000 hhds. or thereabouts, which exceeds the Exports of former years.

That the Colonies under Propriety and Charter Governments continueing to be nurseries of illegall Trade, and guilty of other irregular practices, to the great prejudice of Her Majesties Revenue and of fair Traders and otherwise; We have

from time to time Laid before Her majestie the several Complaints that have been brought to us relateing thereto, and Represented upon the whole, as the only means of preventing illegal Trade, and rendering those provinces usefull to England, That they may, by the Legislative power of this Kingdome, be brought under the immediate government of the Crown. And haveing interposed our best Endeavours with the severall proprietors, We have with those of East and West Jersey [prevailed] to resigne their pretended right to Government into Her majesties Hands. And for the better Support of Regular Trade, we have moved Her Majesty that, untill an act be made for Reuniting those Colonies, security be given for the Lieutenant Governors of those proprieties that they shal duely observe the acts of Trade, which has been Complied with accordingly for the Lieutenant Governors of Carolina and the Bahama Islands, and we are Expecting the lyke for Pensylvania.

To which we add, that Coll: Dudley Her Majesties Governor of the Massachusetts Bay haveing been Impowered by a Commission from Her Majesty to Command the militia of Rhode Islands, and the adjacent Country, Did thereupon Transport himself thither but was Refused to be obeyed by the Council and those in Government there; The said Coll: Dudley further Informs us, That he found the Island in great Disorder and Confusion, as it has long been a receptacle for Pirates and illegal Traders; That the Quakers and their freinds had got the sole power into their hands, and would admitt none other into any place of Trust; that tho there are men of good Estate and abilities in that Colony, They were excluded from any share of the Government, nor could act to any good purpose; if they had been admitted dureing the present disorders. To remedy which mischeif as well in this Island, which is of no smal importance to the English Trade, and navigation, as in the neighbouring charter Government of Connecticut And to regulate the generall state of trade in those parts, We can propose no other effectuall means then that the Legislative power of this Kingdom as has been before mentioned, Do bring those and other proprieties and charter governments under an Immediate dependance on the Crown.

That we have offered our opinion for Establishing a settled Course of Correspondance, by Pacquet Boats frequently to saile for Barbadoes, The Leeward Islands and Jamaica, from whence opportunities do ordinarily present of sending to the Continent And that method of Conveyance haveing been undertaken by Mr. Dammer, and allready begun to be put in practice under his direction, We humbly Conceive it will not only be a Convenience to merchants and our plantation Trade, but may otherwise, in this time of War, be of great use to the government.

That it being requisite for the general Securitie and Trade of Her majesties plantations, and more Especially of those in the Continent of America, that they should upon occasion assist each other in proportion to their respective abilities: And a Quota of assistance to be given by Several of them towards the Security and defence of New Yorke (which lies the most exposed to the ffrench) haveing been directed By his Late Majestie; as we have formerly represented to your Lordships, We have renewed our directions to the respective Governours That they be very punctual in the Execution of those orders.

That in relation to Trade with Foreign nations, we have upon occasion offered our thoughts upon such Treaties as have been Communicated to us; In particular upon the project of a Marine Treaty between England and Sweden, Transmitted by Mr. Robinson Her majesties minister at Stockholm. We have made several observations of such heads to be insisted upon as we Conceive might tend to the advantage of the Trade of England in those parts. We have lykewise by Her Majesties direction considered the Treaties between the Crown of England and the States General of the united provinces, with particular regard to what concerns Trade and have offered what appears to us reasonable to be demanded from them, and Suteable to the Interest of England.

That the Trade and Fishery of Newfound-Land Requiring a constant Care to prevent the Irregularities that are frequently practised by the Inhabitants or those that yearly resort thither; To secure their ffishery; And as much as possible (in this time of War) to annoy the Enemy; We did accordingly prepare Instructions sent thither this Summer with heads of Enquiries to be made by him into the State of that Trade, also relateing to the Soldiers there in Pay, and to the fortifications necessary for the defence and Securitie of our principle Harbours and further Directed him to Enquire into the abuses Committed there and not only to regulate the same dureing his stay in those parts But to report to us at his return what Remedies he Conceives may be fittly applyed to those Evills, In order to Such further Directions as shall be necessary against the nixt Season. To all which haveing now Receaved his answers, We thereby find that the State of that Trade and Fishery has this Last Season, been as follows. Vizt.

Abstract of ane account of
the Fishery of Newfound Land
for the year 1702.

Number of Ships.....	{ Fishing Ships..... 16 } { Sack Ships..... 25 }	-4 s.
Burden of Fishing Ships.....		1330 Tun
Number of men Belonging to the Said Ships.....		411
Number of Boats.....	{ Fishing Ships Boats..... 25 } { By Boats..... 9 } { Inhabitants Boats..... 371 }	-415
Number of By Boatmen....	{ Masters..... 11 } { Servants..... 81 }	
Quantity of Fish made.....	{ By Fishing Ships..... 8100 } { By Inhabitants & By Boats.. 74040 }	82140
Quantity of Fish Carried to market.....		50590
Quantity of Train made by..	{ Fishing Ships..... 175 } { Inhabitants & By boats..... 1290 }	1465 hhds
Number of Stages... ..		266
Number of Inhabitants.....	{ Men..... 259 } { Women..... 208 } { Children..... 441 } { Servants..... 1494 }	2402

And thô it do hereby appear that our Fishery has not been so considerable this year as other preceeding years, which must be imputed Cheifly to the Interruptions and difficulties occasioned by the War, and the want of a Vent for our ffish in the Dominions of Spain and other parts of the mediterranean, yet the Success that Her majesties Ships of War have had in takeing and destroying the French Ships Employed in that Trade has been so great that besydes the present advantage, we cannot but expect It will very much discourage them and tend to the Increase and better Improvement of our Trade and Fishery there the next year.

That We have by Her Majesties Command made particular Enquiries into the State of the Woollen manufacture, as the most considerable Branch of the Trade of this Kingdome, and have humbly represented the same to her majestie Together with our observations and proposealls thereupon as followes vitz:

From Michs. 1662. to Michs. 1663. our General

Expts. amounted to..... 2,022,812

From Michs. 1668. to Michs. 1669. they amounted to 2,063,274

Whereof We Judge that near Two thirds were of Woollen manufacture. And by the Late accounts of the Inspector Generall of the Customes, Since the Establishment of that office, we find our Generall Exports.

From Michs. 1697. to Michs. 1698. amounted to.... 6,361,105

From Xtmaz 1698 to Xtmaz 1699..... 6,788,166

From Xtmaz 1699 to Xtmaz 1700..... 7,302,716

And our Exports in Woollen manufactures alone for the same years

Vizt.

From Xtmaz 1697 to Michs. 1698. amounted to.... 3,120,615

From Xtmaz 1699 to Xtmaz 1700..... 2,989,163

From Xtmaz 1700 to Xtmaz 1701..... 3,128,366

The particular Sorts and Quantities whereof we find also by his accounts, are as follows vizt.

From michs. 1697 to 1698.		From Xtmaz 1699 } To Xtmaz 1700 }		{ From Xtmaz 1700 { to Xtmaz 1701	
Bayes of all Sorts....	8693 peices.....	81584.....		86912	
Cloaths of all Sorts..	80700 peices.....	58500.....		68188	
Cottons.....	423278 Goads.....	443406.....		438354	
Flannels & Frizes....	402240 Yards.....	443139.....		462888	
Hatts.....	184650 Dozn.....	—		129622	
Stockings.....	143823 Dozn.....	94665.....		94183	
Kerseges.....	66938 peices... ..	58017.....		60133	
Staffs, Serges, Says...	5727929 lib wt.....	6660983.....		6159767	

And some smal Quantities of other Sorts of no great value: By which it appears that there has of Late years been a Considerable Increase in our Exports of the Woollen manufactures, The value thereof In the year 1701 Exceeding that of the year 1662, by more then a million.

We are lykewayes Informed by the Turkey Company, That from the End of the late War to the beginning of the present War, they have Exported more

Draperies then they did for the lyke number of years formerly. But we observe that the Generall increase of these Exports, have Cheifly consisted in the new Draperies. Vizt. Stuffs, says, Serges &c. And we do humbly conceive that the complaints which may have been made by the proprietors of Wooll and by the Cloathiers, of a fall in the pryce of the goods have been occasioned by Several extraordinary Causes; As the Interruption that Trade in General has met with by War The Improvements of Land in England: And the great additions that have been made to our Stock of Wooll by Importations from Ireland, which together have sunk the pryce of wooll and of other Woollen goods.

The Importations of Wooll from Ireland In the year 1693. 1694. and 1695 have amounted to 140000 Stone. But in the years 1699. 1700 and 1701 to 936808 Stone

The Lands in England have been very much Improved since the year 1670, By clover and other grass-seeds, By which they feed a greater number of Sheep than formerly and our Stock of Wooll is thereby augmented.

We have also of late years Increased our manufacture of Superfine Cloths (made of Spanish Wooll only) which have occasioned for some years past a greater importation of Spanish Wooll then heretofore.

We do likewise find that the Woollen manufactures in Ireland are of late years Increased. And that in diverse forreign Countries, as in France, Holland, flanders, Spain, Portugal, Sweden, Silesia, Lunnenborough, and other parts of Germany, new manufactures have been Sett up, which they take to be another reason why our Trade in Woollen goods has not been further Enlarged.

We also observe, That of later years, great numbers of people are Enticed over to Her Majesties northern colonies in America, and particularly to those under propriety and charter governments, which persons whyle they were in England Did contribute to the Consumption of our Woollen manufacture. But being Entertained there Do with the rest of the Inhabitants cloth themselves, children and Servants with the Woollen manufacture of the product of those Countries. And not only so, but diverse manufacturers & [erasure] also are Carried over, upon Specious pretences of a more easy Livelyhood in those parts, and in this maner those proprieties do not only Cloth themselves with Woollen goods but furnish the same Commodity to the more southern plantations notwithstanding the prohibition in the act of the 10th and 11th of his Late majestie. And by their application to this sort of trade, Instead of Confining themselves to the production of Such Commodities as are agreeable to the true design and Intention of the Settlements, They have Improved their Skill to such a degree that we have been particularly informed by persons Employed by us to make Enquiries that as good Druggets are made in those Countries as any in England and Sold there for ffour Shillings and Six pence per yard, That Countrey money, To which we also crave leave to add, That those plantations haveing several Dyeing Wares either of their own product, or in their neighbourhood much cheaper then the Same can be procured in England, They are able to affoord those manufactures much cheaper then they can be sent thither from hence.

We think our selves further oblidged to take notice, That the Importation from India into this Kingdom of those sort of manufactured goods proper for the

same uses as our stuffs, Serges, Says, Druggets &c. Haveing very much Increased of late years, and the same not being brought over in return of our Woollen manufactures exported, But purchased Cheifly by Bullion Carryed thither, They do tend to obstruct The Consumption of our Woollen manufactures made at home.

It is Lykewise observable that since the act which prohibits the wearing of several Sorts of East India goods; great Quantities thereof (as appears by the Entries of the Customhouse) are now Shipt off to Her majesties Colonies in the West Indies; By which and the manufacture of Wooll Carried on in those parts, the Consumption of these goods usually Sent thither is greatly obstructed, and the Intended Effect of that act defeated thereby.

We are Informed by Several merchants Concerned in the Woollen Trade, That the prohibiting of painted Calicoes from India to be Consumed in England has not had the desired Success: For thô it was hoped that this prohibition would have discouraged the Consumption of those goods, We find that the alloweing Calicoes unstained to be brought in has occasioned Such an Increase of the printing and staining Calicoes here, and the printers and painters have brought that art to such perfection, that it is more prejudiciall to us, than it was before the passing that act, For whereas then the Calicoes painted in India, were most [*sic.* worn?] by the better sort of people whilst the poor continued to wear and use our Woollen goods, The Calicoes now painted in England are So very cheap and So much in fashion that persons of all Qualities and degrees cloth themselves and furnish their houses in a great measure with them.

The Turkey Company have also Continued their Complaints to us. That their Trade is obstructed by the East India Company, who do not send in India those Draperies, which they Export from hence, But send them to Ispahan, and from thence to Tauris, and other northern parts of persia, which is a mischeif not to be prevented otherwayes than by the East India Company's being Enjoynd to Send such Woollen goods as they Cannot sell in India, to China, Japan, and other Eastern Countries, where there Vent may not be ane obstruction to the Turkey Company's Trade, which we Conceive was intended by the preamble of their Charter, as we humbly represented to his late majestie, by our report Dated the 19th of January 1697/8.

The Said Turkey Company haveing further acquainted us with the difficulties they Lye under to carry on their Trade in this time of war, and thereupon desired that a Convoy may be granted them for the Ships they might Speedily Send out, we have Laid that matter before Her majesty for Her Royal determination.

We further observe, that the nature of Trade is such, that it depends upon the mutuall Conveniency which every nation finds in the Barter and Exchange of the Commodities of their own growth for those of the growth of other Countries, according to which Rule it is apparent that the Consumption of the English Woollen goods abroad particularly in Turkey and Italy, is supported by our takeing of the Rare Silks of those Countries, And we are therefore humbly of opinion that the importation of Rare Silk in such quantities as they are returned for our woollen goods ought not to be discouraged, As well because the vent of our goods in those parts is Carryed on thereby, As also that a great number of Her

majesties Subjects are Supported by manufactureing those Silks here and the nation Supplied with wrought Silks at the Cheapest Rates.

Upon discourse with persons most Knoweing in the winding and making up of our wooll It appears that the cloathers Trade may be further Improved, if the wooll were more carefully and faithfully wound up in the fleecce (according to the Several acts of parliament) without Loose locks Hair & Dirt to the great prejudice of the clothiers who buy the same, which ill practise we find has much Increased of late.

The Deceit used by those who ffabrick and finish our cloaths, in the Stretching and ill makeing them, as well as in the giving them false lengths and Breadths which abuses were designed to be prevented by the Aulnage duty, We conceive to be other obstructions to our Woollen manufacture

And in relation to the better Improvement of our Trade in Woollen goods, We are humbly of opinion that the high duties Laid there upon Dyeing Wares, Hinder the Dyeing and finishing of those goods here, By which the Dyers pressers and other Traders are much prejudiced, Great quantities of our Woollen goods, are sent out whyte and Dyed in Holland, Hamburgh and other parts.

The Customes which are Drawen back upon the exportations of our Dyeing wares Rendering those Wares so cheap to foreigners as to afford them the means of Dyeing our Woollen goods abroad cheaper then Can be done in England; and consequently give them a greater advantage in carrying out Such goods whyte, then after being Dyed & finisht.

As to the particular Improvement of the Exportation of the woollen manufacture, great care has been taken for some years past in those countries (Vizt. Kent and Sussex.) where the running of Wooll has been chiefly carried on, New officers were appointed in the year 1697 to prevent the same, And the management of that Service was committed to Mr. Hendry Baker, The Commissioners of Her Majesties Customes were ordered to give especial Directions to their Several under officers on the Coasts of those Countries to be aiding to him, he has lykewise from time to time made his application to this Board, and has received our best assistances, and such has been the success of the methods taken for the prevention of this evil, by putting the Laws in execution against such offenders, and by the Impeachment in parliament of the French Smugglers (whose Trade was carryed on by these illegall practices and correspondences) That the several convictions appear to amount to no less then the sum 68249 pounds, and by these methods and prosecutions, this unlawfull trade is allmost destroyed in those countries. But whereas the lyke abuses are carryed on and will probably increase in other maritime Countries, unless the lyke care be taken to prevent it; And whereas several of those unlawfull Traders who have been disturbed in the Counties of Kent and Sussex before mentioned have betaken themselves to other parts upon the Coasts, We humbly propose it as expedient that a Guard of Civil officers under a regular Establishment, and with proper Instructions, be lykewise appointed in such other maritime Counties of this Kingdom where these ill Courses shall appear to be Carryed on, And particularly in the northern Counties adjacent to Scotland; which Gaurd we judge will be able to bear their own charge with con-

siderable advantage to Her Maties revenue and may procure the great benefit aimed at of keeping our Wooll at home.

Upon this head we have only to add, that every pound of Wooll thus Exported has in the return usually produced above Ten times the value of its prime Cost here, And we conceive that the Temptation to such Excessive profit can only be opposed by an extraordinary care, and that the most vigorous putting the Laüs against those abuses in execution, without favour or remission, together with the assistance of the officers aforementioned, under a strict Discipline; will prove the most effectuall means of Cureing this Evill.

All which nevertheless is most humbly Submitted

Whitehall }
November ye 18th 1702 }

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